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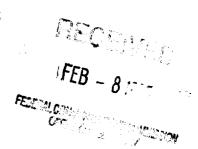
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February 8, 1995

Mr. William F. Caton Acting Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554



RE:

In the Matter of Price Cap Performance Review for Local Exchange Carriers CC Docket No. 94-1

Dear Mr. Caton:

Today representatives of Sprint Corporation met with Ms. Karen Brinkman of Chairman Hundt's office to discuss issues in the above referenced matter. Information on the attached, relative to Sprint's comments and reply comments submitted on May 9 and June 29, respectively, was discussed.

Representing Sprint Corporation were Jay Keithley and Jim Sichter. Sprint requests that this information be made a part of the record in this matter. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Warren D. Hannah

Director

Federal Regulatory Relations

Attachment

cc: Ms. Karen Brinkman

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# **Productivity/Sharing Options**

- Align productivity/sharing options to provide LECs incentive to elect progressively higher productivity offsets as their internal productivity increases
- Eliminate sharing/LFAM for LECs willing to opt for a high productivity factor
- LECs make an annual productivity election
  - But once a LEC opts for 4.5%/no sharing, no reversion to lower productivity factor

**Proposed Productivity/Sharing Matrix** 

Productivity	Initial Sharing	50/50 Sharing	100% Sharing	
Selection	Threshold	Range	Range	LFAM
3.3%	11.75%	11.75 - 13.75%	>13.75%	10.25%
3.9%	12.25%	12.25 - 15.25%	>15.25%	10.25%
4.5%		No Sharing/LFAM		

## **Upfront Rate Reduction**

- Equal to 1/2 of the difference between a LEC's 1991-1994 ROR and 11.25%
  - <u>Company specific</u> upfront reductions recognize each LEC's relative performance under first price cap plan
- Sharing of productivity gains from first price cap period
- Required of all price cap LECs (regardless of productivity choices under the second price cap plan)
- Approximately equal to a 2% upfront rate reduction industrywide

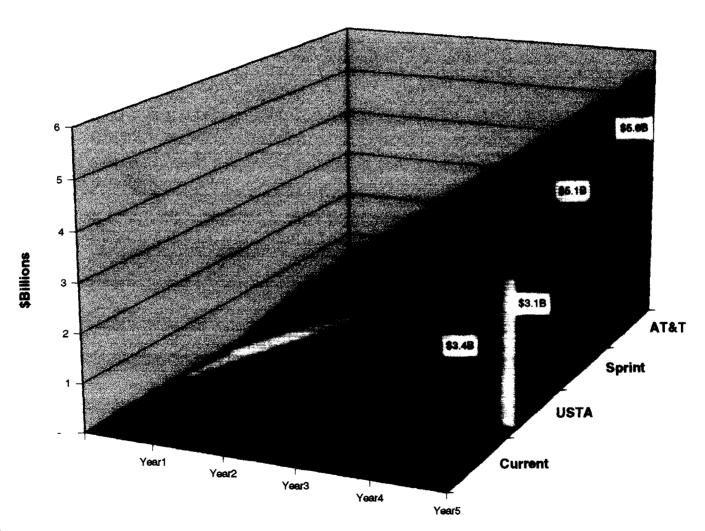
### **Comparison of Price Cap Proposals**

		Sharing Range		Upfront Rate	
	Productivity	50/50	100%	Reduction	
Current FCC Plan	3.3%	12.25-16.25%	> 16.25%	N/A	
1 IAH	4.3%	13.25-17.25%	> 17.25%	N/A	
Sprint	3.3%	11.75-13.75%	> 13.75%		
	3.9%	12.25-15.25%	> 15.25%	Approximately 2% industrywide (varies by LEC)	
	4.5%	None			
AT&T	5.1%	11.0-15.0%	> 15%	Approximately 1.6%	
Original USTA Plan	2.5%	None		None	
Revised USTA Plan	3.3%	12.25-16.25%	> 16.25%	None	
I lais	3.5% * (Rolling Average Productivity)	No	ne	1.0% (PCI reduction)	

<sup>\*</sup> Initial productivity factor of 2.5%, and a 1% CPD, which would be phased out over 3 years.

### Comparison of Price Cap Proposals

#### Value of Reductions



*Current:* X = 3.3%

USTA: X = 2.5%, 1% up-front, CPD phase-out (no-sharing option)

Sprint: X = 4.5%, 2% up-front (no-sharing option)

ATT: X = 5.1%, \$322Mup-front